### Lowering $\gamma_t$ at proton injection in RHIC

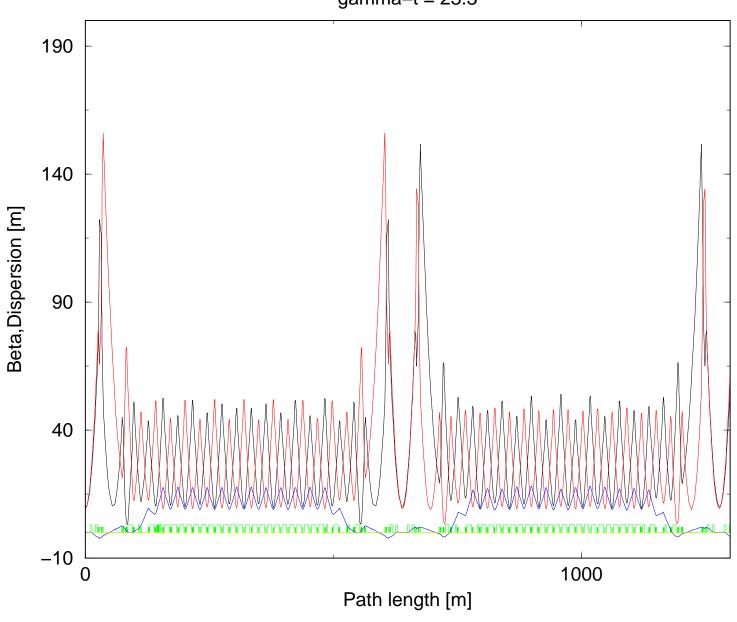
• Goal: lower  $\gamma_t$  by  $\approx$  0.5 to enable injection at  $G\gamma=45.5$  instead of 46.5

• Four knobs: 2 "gamma-t" families near arc centers, 2 "gamma-tune" families near end of arcs

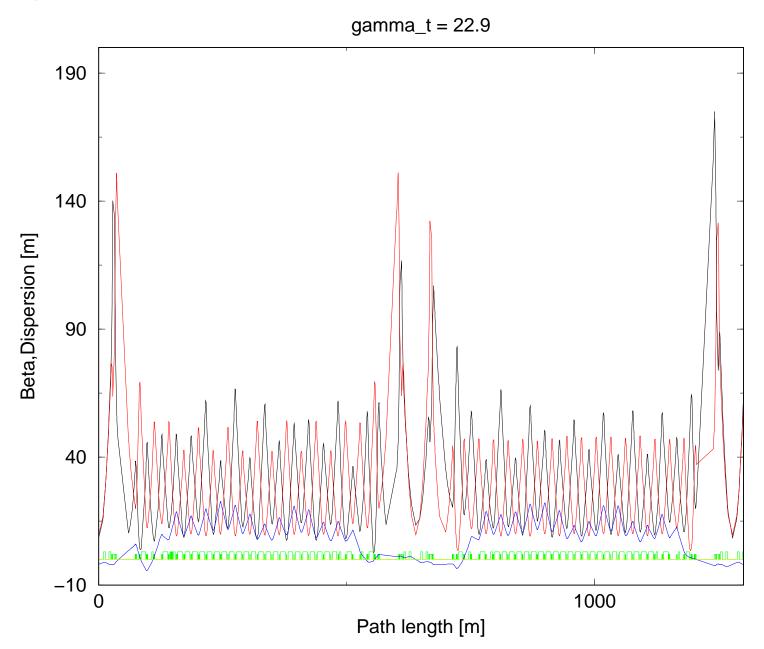
• Minimize  $\beta$ -beat, restore tunes to 28.73, 29.72

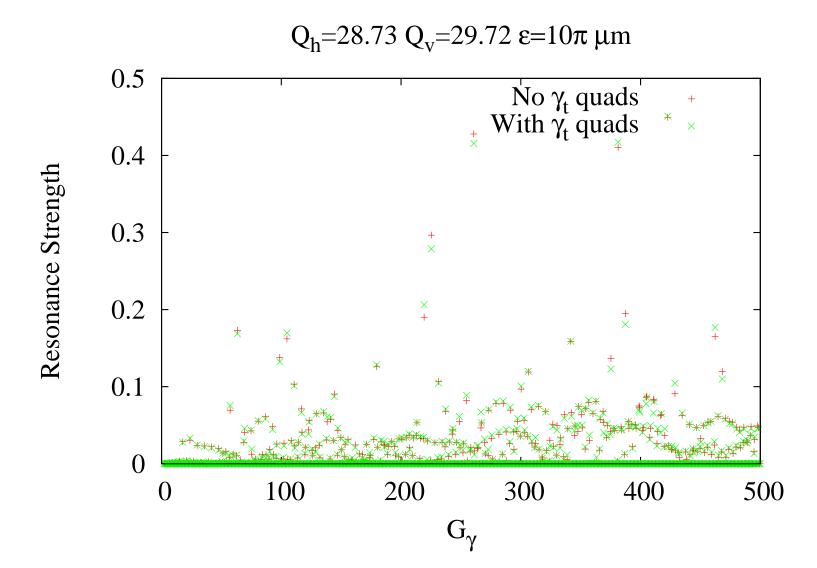
#### gamma-t quads at zero (baseline)

gamma-t = 23.3



gamma-t quads ON, KGT=KGTI=-1.0, KQTO=2.0, KQTI=0.0



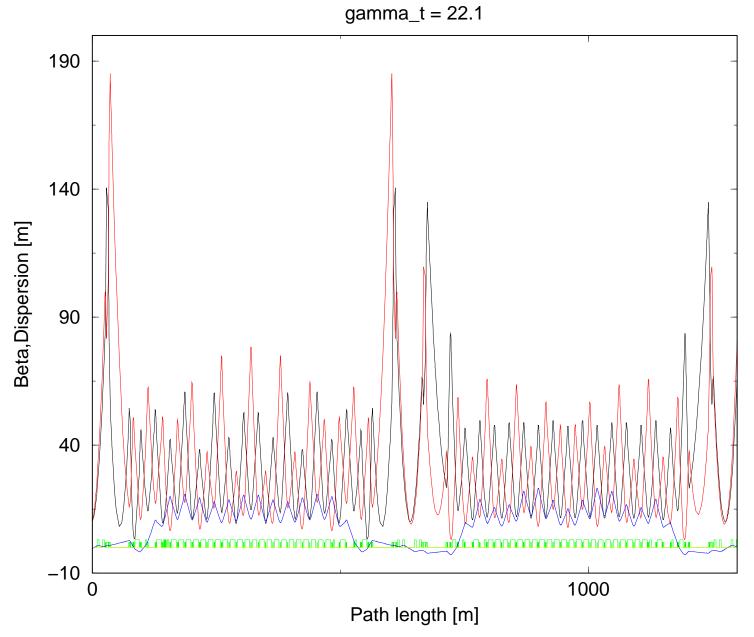


 $\bullet$  Lowering  $\gamma_t$  by means of  $\gamma_t$  quads causes considerable  $\beta\text{-beat}$ 

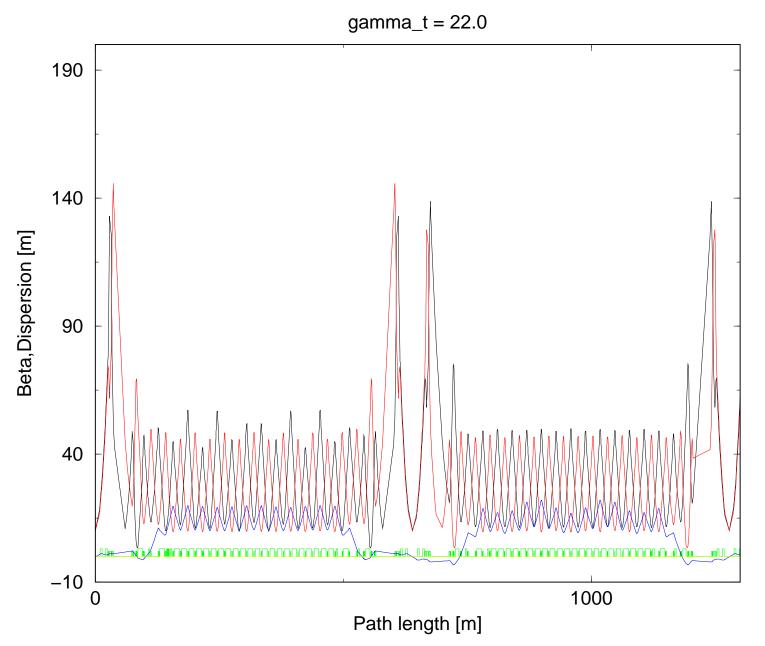
 $\bullet$  Re-matching the lattice does not seem easy, since  $\gamma_t$  quads are not located symmetrically within arcs

• In a FODO lattice,  $\gamma_t \propto Q_x$ . What happens if we lower the tune(s) by one unit?

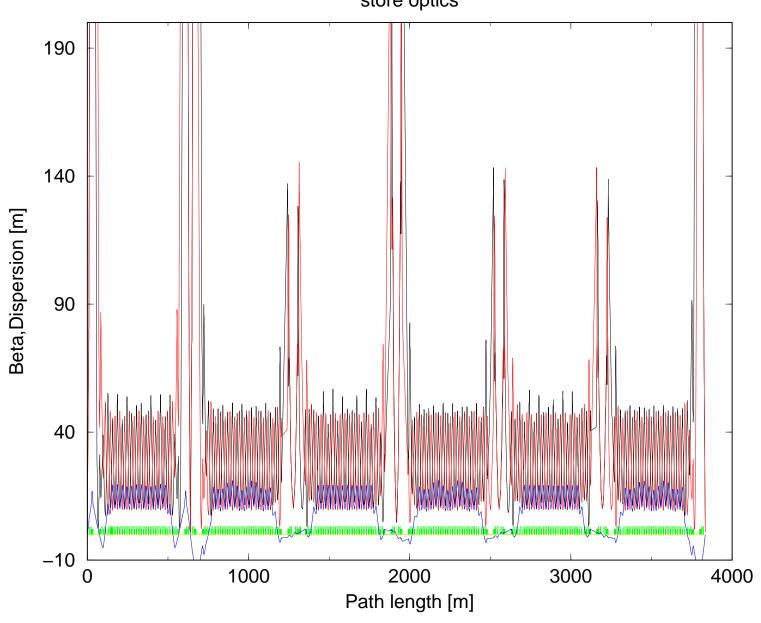
## gamma-t quads at zero, tunes lowered by one unit



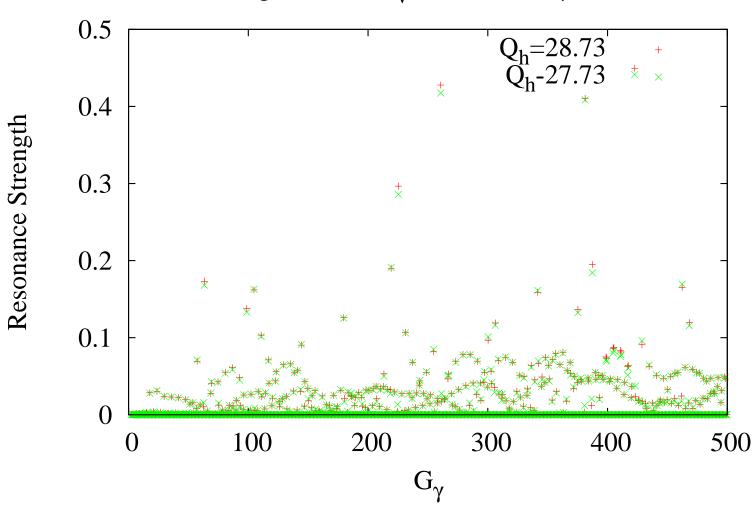
#### gamma-t quads at zero, only Qx lowered by one unit



# gamma-t quads at zero, Qx lowered by one unit store optics



gt1.twiss:  $Q_v$ -29.72  $\varepsilon$ =10 $\pi$   $\mu$ m



#### Conclusion

- The "solution" with  $\gamma_t$  quads at zero, and lowered horizontal tune ( $Q_x=27.73,\ Q_y=29.72$ ) has very little  $\beta$ -beat and looks most promising.
- Some "clean-up" rematching may be required, especially at store
- Is there anything that prevents us from lowering the horizontal tune by one unit?